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SUBJECT: TORRINGTON

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1. DEPTOFF TALKED WITH TORRINGTON WASHINGTON REP (TUCKER) ABOUT SITUATION REPORTED REFTEL. TUCKER SAID TORRINGTON HEADQUARTERS HAD JUST RECEIVED TELEGRAM FROM ITALIAN EMBASSY CONVEYING INVITATION FROM MINISTER OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE FOR MEETING IN ITALY TO REVIEW COMPANY PROBLEM IN GENOA.

2. TORRINGTON MANAGEMENT PLANS TO MEET NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS INVITATION AND FORM OF RESPONSE. AT THIS POINT, TUCKER VOLUNTEERED, COMPANY SEES NO ADVANTAGE IN ACCEPTING, BUT ALSO REALIZES PUBLIC RELATIONS ASPECT IF IT APPEARS TO REBUFF GOI. WHILE TUCKER WOULD NOT SPECULATE ON EVENTUAL DECISION, HE LEFT IMPRESSION INVITATION WILL NOT UNCLASSIFIED

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BE REFUSED OUTRIGHT. DEPT COUNSELLED THAT COMPANY AVOID

BEING MANEUVERED INTO POSITION OF HAVING APPEARED TO SLAM
DOOR ON GOI OFFER.

3. TUCKER SAID GENOA COURT RENDERED FINAL DECISION ON
REQUISITION ORDER JULY 2. COURT DECLARED ORDER "ILLEGAL",

THUS REMOVING ANY AMBIGUITY RESULTING FROM SUSPENSION ORDER
OF JUNE 3. KISSINGER

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